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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	19
COUNCIL MEETING	93/03/29

TO: CITY MANAGER 1993 February 24

FROM: OFFICER IN CHARGE BURNABY DETACHMENT RCMP

SUBJECT: 1992 ANNUAL POLICING REPORT


PURPOSE: TO PROVIDE COUNCIL WITH ANNUAL POLICING
STATISTICS FOR BURNABY

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT this report be received for information purposes.

REPORT

Attached herewith, for the information of Council, is the 1992 Annual Policing Report from the RCMP Burnaby Detachment.


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Burnaby Detachment

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REPORT OF THE OIC, BURNABY
DETACHMENT, R.C.M.P.
TO THE MAYOR & COUNCIL
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1992

1992 OIC's REPORT - YEAR END

The following summarizes policing activities for Burnaby for 1992. The Detachment responded to a total of 77,920 calls for service in the past twelve months compared to 78,888 in 1991. This represents a 1.2% decrease in total incidents reported. Overall reductions were achieved in Robberies, Break and Enters, Theft of Motor Vehicles, Total Property Offenses, Total Person Offenses, Total Criminal Code Offenses and Total Traffic Accidents. A year end statistical break down is included, Appendix "A" refers.

GENERAL POLICING

One of the most significant changes in our policing program during 1992 has been the development and implementation of a Bike Section. "C" Watch personnel were instrumental in developing this program. Involvement included the design and acquisition of clothing and equipment which is now being used by R.C.M.P. members throughout British Columbia and Alberta. One of the spin-offs to Burnaby because of our involvement in the program has been the financial benefit to a number of Burnaby companies who are now supplying specialized clothing and equipment to the R.C.M.P., Municipal and Provincial Police Forces across Canada and to a number of Police Departments in the United States. The following statistics illustrate the effectiveness of the Bike Squad during the initial year of its operation.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Number</u>
Arrests	124
Criminal Code Charges	32
Drug Charges	74
Street Checks	653
Liquor Act Seizures/Charges	187
Traffic Charges/Warnings	146
Self-Generated Files	449
Park Patrols	187
Sky Train Patrols	321
Bar Walks	183

In addition, Bike Squad members were directly involved in the Kid's Fair, the Lock it or Lose it Campaign, Burnaby Detachment Open House, Law Enforcement Torch Run and the Gastown Grand Prix. General Duty members were directly responsible for the successful conclusion of several high profile incidents. The Stanley Park Flamingo killings, the seizure of \$30,000.00 proceeds of crime funds and the recovery of a large quantity of 53% pure heroin are but a few examples of the type of files investigated by the uniformed members.

GENERAL INVESTIGATION SECTION

In 1992, Burnaby G.I.S. was involved in the investigation of the following major or note-worthy incidents:

Homicides:

92-03-24 - 92-17498 Lie Jun LAIO was the victim of an execution styled homicide. LAIO was shot in the head while leaving the residence of an associate on Berwick Avenue. Unsolved.

92-03-26 - 91-17920 Jeffrey HORNE broke into the apartment of Charles COTEY. COTEY shot and killed HORNE in what was to be self-defence. No charges.

92-06-07 - 92-34147 Danny LANGLOIS was the shooting victim of a drug related argument at a house party in Burnaby. A suspect was subsequently apprehended in Surrey and charged with this offence.

92-06-16 - 92-36118 Brian FOLEY left the South City Cabaret and was confronted outside by a male. FOLEY was slashed across his throat with a broken beer glass and died at the scene. The suspect was apprehended by nearby witnesses.

92-08-08 - 92-47741 Gregory CHIPERZAK was found strangled to death in his vehicle which was parked across the street from the South City Cabaret. Unsolved.

On 92-01-06, Burnaby Detachment had the first instance of an Oriental student being kidnapped and held for ransom. The oriental community is very susceptible to these types of incidents and the kidnapping appears to be gang related. Sam LAW was held for six days. The initial ransom demand was for \$800,000. On the sixth day, the investigators located LAW with the kidnapers and arrests were made without injury. Three persons were charged.

The Arson Section arrested and charged two suspects in separate incidents of multiple fires. A male suspect was charged with arsons to three local churches resulting in excess of \$2 Million in damages. A female suspect was charged with arsons relating to eleven fires started in the stairways and hallways of apartment blocks and commercial buildings.

Burglary Section had a very busy year. In the last six months alone, nine individuals indicated their culpability to approximately 800 burglaries with total losses in excess of \$1 Million. One suspect alone indicated responsibility to 200 burglaries totalling \$300,000.

The Fraud Section investigated approximately 350 complaints with total reported losses in excess of \$2 Million. One project

concentrated on a group of career criminals who had access to Canada Post mail keys. They entered apartment buildings and stole credit cards and bank documents from the mail system. They then committed numerous frauds with the cards. Four individuals were arrested and charged with various offenses.

The Robbery Section investigated 42 bank robberies with total thefts in excess of \$110,000. Half of these robberies were cleared with charges against 15 suspects. On one occasion just prior to Christmas, a robber was arrested outside the bank. He thanked the arresting officer for not shooting him and also commented that he probably would not be home for Christmas. They also investigated six liquor store robberies with total thefts of approximately \$15,000.00 and two people charged. There was a warehouse robbery where approximately \$200,000 in cigarettes were stolen. The robbers locked the six employees of the warehouse in the washroom while they departed with the cigarettes. No charges.

The Sex Crime Unit has a steadily increasing workload. 1992 presented them with approximately 400 sex related complaints. The various investigations resulted in 131 suspects being charged.

DRUG SECTION

The Burnaby Drug Section continued to be very active in 1992. The following summarizes the highlights for the year.

JANUARY 1992

Drugs Section members assisted General Duty members at a Burnaby residence where 541 plants were seized.

FEBRUARY 1992

A two week undercover operation was conducted on two liquor establishments and eight suspects were charged with thirteen trafficking offenses.

MARCH 1992

Drug Section member assisted members of "A" Watch search a Burnaby residence where a semi-automatic weapon, along with \$6,700 in cash were seized.

APRIL 1992

This was the first month of this reporting year that LSD and Steroids became evident and two Burnaby residents were charged under the FDA for the possession for the purpose of trafficking in LSD. One subject was charged with trafficking in steroids and received a \$5,000.00 fine and three years probation where he is prohibited from entering a gym in Canada.

MAY 1992

Drug Section members attended a lot of court on conspiracy trials.

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A seizure of 30 grams of cocaine was made at a Burnaby residence and two persons have been charged.

JUNE 1992

Drug Section members assisted Burnaby GIS members in the arrest of four young offenders in possession of replica handguns at the Lougheed Mall.

JULY 1992

One suspect appeared in Burnaby Provincial Court and was convicted of several counts of Possessing Proceeds of Crime as well as Tax Evasion. The Drug Section seized approximately \$250,000 worth of assets, the suspect received a three year prison term to be served consecutively with a five year term and was fined \$100,000. He was also ordered to pay Revenue Canada \$181,000.

AUGUST 1992

Drug Section members assisted General Duty members to conduct a house search after a response to an audible alarm uncovered a grow lab inside a Burnaby residence. Members seized 13,000 plants, 12 decks of cocaine and cash. Total worth of seizure had a potential value of 1.4 million dollars.

SEPTEMBER 1992

Information supplied to the Langley Drug Section resulted in the seizure of over 2,500 marihuana plants with a potential street value of approximately 2.8 million dollars. Cultivation still remains a very popular method of obtaining and trafficking in narcotics in the Burnaby area.

OCTOBER 1992

Members were called to Burnaby Hospital where doctors had extracted 13 caps of heroin from the throat of a patient. The subject was charged for possession for the purpose of trafficking.

NOVEMBER 1992

Drug Section members on a media blitz during drug awareness week, November 15 through the 21st.

DECEMBER 1992

Members busy on court commitments during this month.

FORENSIC IDENT SECTION

The Forensic Ident Section provides a wide variety of services. The main function is to locate, evaluate and compare fingerprints and/or physical evidence.

This Section experienced a slight increase in case load in 1992 which probably would have been greater, however, budget restraints

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are foremost in member's minds which no doubt has had a direct effect on utilization.

Although we provide assistance in all major cases, the most significant item on a daily basis would be the Photophone Automated Fingerprint system. This system is the vehicle used to transmit fingerprints found at crime scenes to fingerprint repositories in Vancouver and Ottawa. It is because of this system we have had a very successful year with regards to the number of fingerprints identifying suspects.

This year we also acquired an additional piece of equipment called a CVC module which is used with the photophone and provides the capability of making hard copies from video surveillance cameras used in banks, convenience stores, and service stations to record armed robbery suspects.

This Section is presently operating with one vacant position which has not been filled since the June, 1992 transfer of a member.

TRAINING SECTION

Training 1992

Twenty-four (24) recruits were involved in the recruit field training (RFT). Their progress was monitored locally and by Headquarters Training Branch. Many volunteer hours were contributed by the recruits in order to complete the required tasks. The RFT program required the recruit to complete two closed book exams, Federal and Provincial research, practical field training, two assessments, an oral examination, and a final closed book examination.

In-house training was held in conjunction with members attending various courses in Vancouver Headquarters, Justice Institute and Ottawa. In-house courses consisted of Breathalyser, Road Side Screening Device, Radar, First Aid, Officer Survival, Drug Seminars and Computer Training.

Auxiliary Constable (A/Cst.) Training

1992 Training Activities consisted of the following:

- a) New Class of 18 members trained in the 4 block new training package from January to June, followed by Firearms and Baton instruction in July. The new members were then assigned regular member trainers and put on RFT from September to December.
- b) Additionally for the existing Auxiliary members, training sessions during the year consisted of:
 - refresher in Courtroom procedures

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- night shooting
- refresher training in Police Pistol Classification and Auxiliary Pistol Classification prior to annual shoot
- annual shoot, Surrey Range on June 12th
- refresher course in Baton techniques

c) One Auxiliary constable attended the Provincial Attorney-General sponsored Firearms Instructors Court and successfully qualified as a Firearms Instructor.

Auxiliary Constables at Burnaby Detachment contributed 11,988 person hours assisting in the policing of Burnaby. Apart from their primary tasks of assisting General Duty, Traffic and CP/VS, plus the training of 18 new members they were involved in the following: Eight auxiliary constables assisted regular members in foot patrols of Imperial Street and Metrotown as well as conducting a Blockwatch program in the same area. They assisted with the World Cup Soccer Games at Swangard Stadium in April and May, as well as the Burnaby Centennial Parade on May 23rd, and the Detachment Open House on May 31st. In May and June, they assisted in the Spring-Grad. Counter-Attack roadblocks and the Labatt's 24 Hour Relay at Swangard June 19-21st. Again, this year, they assisted with Park Patrols in June and early July to curb grad parties and rowdiness in area parks and beaches. In August they assisted with crowd and traffic control regarding fireworks displays on Burnaby Mountain, in October with the Motorcycle Toy Run and Halloween, in November with Remembrance Day, and in December with the annual Christmas Counter-Attack program, plus their annual Christmas Party and Appreciation Night hosted by the City of Burnaby.

CRIME PREVENTION/VICTIM SERVICES

The following is a short compilation of significant events in CP/VS this year.

1. CP/VS was heavily involved in Municipal Centennial Celebrations and ceremonies marking Burnaby gaining City Status.
2. We have begun developing a computerized Crime Analysis. It is hoped that this project will provide a tool for Police Managers with which to manage resources providing for impact in identified problem areas.
3. Two unit members have received training in Problem oriented Policing.
4. One member has received training in Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

5. Attendance at various seminars, workshops and conferences has helped to enhance our skills and knowledge in the areas of School Liaison, Community Police Stations and Victim Assistance.
6. Victim Services was involved in assisting individuals in over 1,100 incidents this year. A total of 5,500 hours were expended by volunteers in providing information, support, referrals and other assistance to the victim's of crime. Victim services staff responded to 132 calls where they attended at the scene to provide immediate aid to persons involved in traumatic situations.

POLICE DOG SERVICE

Establishment

Five Municipal positions consisting of one (1) Corporal in charge, and four (4) constables.

ROSSA, W.J., Cpl. - PSD "Rocky" #302

Cpl. Rossa, being the Supervisor for the Section, spent considerable time on administrative duties. Cpl. Rossa rotated into the shift schedule when Cst. Schaap was transferred to assist on dog handler duties.

PSD "Rocky" is seven (7) years and eight (8) months old. The dog is still healthy but will probably be retired in early 1994.

SCHAAP, D.K., Cst. - PSD "Khan" #321

Cst. Schaap acted as temporarily i/c of the unit when required. Cst. Schaap was promoted to Cpl. and transferred to Newfoundland in August of 1992.

NAZAROFF, P.G., Cst. - PSD "Brutus" #354

Cst. Nazaroff took over as Acting NCO i/c upon Cst. Schaap's transfer. He was able to assist in administrative duties when required and still be an active dog handler on the road providing excellent service.

PSD "Brutus" is five (5) years, eight (8) months old and is in excellent health.

FIELD, R.K., Cst. - PSD "Tuko" #314

Cst. Field continued as one of the designated explosive dog handlers in British Columbia. Along with his specialty role, Cst. Field was able to provide excellent service with PSD "Tuko" until September 1992. At that time the dog had to be retired for medical reasons.

Cst. Field had also raised a replacement dog "Bandit". Cst. Field attended the training centre in October 1992 to re-train with this dog.

LAWSON, M.J., Cst. - PSD "Brandy" #334

Cst. Lawson was active with ERT during the year as an assaulter. He was later appointed as 2 i/c of the Emergency Response Team. Cst. Lawson provided an excellent level of service with his dog.

PSD Brandy is five (5) years, six (6) months old and in good health.

Caseload

Total calls received.....	2,054
Total calls where dog not used, cancelled and backup calls.....	1,326
Total calls dog used.....	728
Total calls responded by and dog used (non resultant).....	461
Total positive calls.....	267

Police Community Relations

Twenty Police Service Dog talks were given to school children, youth groups and Beavers during the year. One talk included a presentation to the Debutante's Ball at "E" Division Headquarters to Military and RCMP personnel.

Conclusion

The total number of calls for service were down by only 245, even though the section was short periodically throughout the year.

Police Dogs have continually proven to be cost effective by saving countless hours in locating stolen property, locating suspects hiding in areas and as deterrents at noisy parties. A police dog and his handler can be as valuable as several members in volatile situations.

The apprehension of persons committing crimes by Burnaby Police Dog members can only have a positive effect in overall attempts to minimize criminal activity in the City of Burnaby.

TRAFFIC SECTION

(a) Intersection Enforcement:

Selective enforcement was conducted at major intersections throughout the City. During the past year approximately 1600 charges were laid with 400 of those at designated intersections. 632 warnings were issued.

(b) Speeding Violation Enforcement:

Speeding continues and will continue to be a major problem in our

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City. High visibility enforcement was once again carried out, with extra consideration to school, playground zones and the major arterial routes.

(c) Commercial Vehicles:

Commercial vehicle checks were curtailed due to our shortage of trained personnel and the heavy snowfall.

Two Air Brake courses were set for January and February of 1993 of the new year. This will train 8 members enhancing our commercial vehicle enforcement for 1993.

(d) Counter Attack:

The Christmas Counter Attack was from 92-12-08 to 93-01-03. There were 15,650 vehicles checked, 5 impaired driving charged, 77 Alcohol Screening Device tests, 28 road side suspensions and 175 provincial charges laid.

The heavy snow fall had a bearing on the final total but the general public knew we were there. A running update and a final tally was printed in the local newspapers, giving us excellent coverage and keeping the public aware of the police presence.

(e) Traffic Awareness Presentations to General Duty:

Members attended General Duty briefings to discuss training and enforcement issues.

Total traffic contacts by General Duty is down 6% from 10,768 to 10,161 and the Traffic is down 11% from 66,777 to 59,360

Statistics are down in all categories except fatal accidents.

The shortage and change over in human resources is still impacting our enforcement activities and affecting enforcement activities. April/May of 1992 was the change over from Violation reports to traffic tickets. Ticket writing over this period was suspended for the most part.

In summation, we are satisfied with the results of our Work Action Plans.

ADMINISTRATION (Office)

During the past year, the Admin Support (Office) unit which includes Financial Services and Supplies, Transport, Telecommunications and general administrative functions has had the opportunity to implement many new initiatives.

The F.S.S. area met its basic responsibility of supplying the detachment's material and accommodation needs while staying within both Municipal and Federal budgets. An operational plan which

identified furniture and equipment for immediate replacement and scheduled the remaining items for future replacement was completed. The result was a thorough "spring cleaning" in virtually every area of the detachment building with new furniture enhancing several work areas. This unit has had considerable success despite a heavy workload.

A new security access control system monitored by computer in the Communication Centre has been installed and increased security awareness throughout the detachment. The system allows controlled access according to individual needs using either personal identification numbers or coded cards.

The most significant impact on the telecommunications unit has been our ongoing involvement with the CIIDS (Computerized Integrated Information Dispatch System). Burnaby, along with Red Deer, Alberta are the prototype test sites for this Federal initiative to increase communication centre efficiency and reduce the paper burden. The initial attempt to install the system in May/June did not progress past the training stage. The system at that time while having many desirable and essential features was lacking several essentials and was cumbersome in some functions. Burnaby's needs were documented and the system returned to Ottawa for "re-tooling".

Upon completion of the reworking and confirmation of the completion of agreed upon reprogramming the system returned to Burnaby in November. Following refresher training the system became operational on November 29, 1992. It quickly became apparent that the equipment purchased for the prototype was no longer adequate to provide the performance needed in a busy metropolitan communication centre or in our records environment. Additionally, some programming weaknesses existed which further negatively affected our operations. Support from the supplier and the R.C.M.P./H.Q. CIIDS team was excellent, however, the problems were very challenging.

After a period of functionality evaluation the decision to reduce the system to a complaint taking dispatch operation was made. This returned the detachment to operations similar to those prior to the installation. This period was very trying for all involved, the disappointment was great as the potential is evident.

Currently, the system is in a degree of limbo awaiting Treasury Board of Canada approval to proceed past the prototype stage. Their approval will permit expenditure of the funds for equipment which will provide the instantaneous performance needed now and the future. This will also permit the necessary programming required to include or streamline various functions.

The system supplier and R.C.M.P./H.Q. are providing continuous support through this stage and an upgraded programme addressing

current problems within the dispatch operation will be delivered within the next 2 to 3 weeks upon test completion. Burnaby Detachment, despite the growing pains, remains committed to the project and will continue to do so as long as our availability to serve the public in an efficient, safe fashion is not unreasonably affected. This has been a challenging, demanding year for the Admin Support (Office) unit and the coming year does not appear to be any different.

ADMINISTRATION (CIB)

1992 saw City employees moving into positions previously occupied by regular members. This reduced the number of members performing administrative duties and made them available for active policing duties. One Reader's position and the supervisor of Records were civilianized. This process has been very successful and the goal is to identify and fill more regular member administrative positions with City employees in 1993. The problem with lack of space in the Records and Exhibits areas has become acute. Interim efforts to resolve some of the space problems have been dealt with by the installation of retractable shelves in both of these areas.

The Court Liaison Section processed 2,899 Reports to Crown Counsel in the last year. This involved charges against 2,715 adults and 569 Young Offenders for a total of 3,284 persons charged. There were 5,613 prisoners lodged in cells during 1992.

BURNABY MOBILE EMERGENCY COMMAND VEHICLE

The Acquisition of a 34 foot motor home to act as a Mobile Command Centre at the scene of any major incident is a major achievement by Burnaby Detachment.

The vehicle was purchased through a Federal Government contribution of approximately \$58,000.00 (Jepp Grant) with the remainder being supplied by the City of Burnaby (approximately \$75,000.00). The capabilities of the vehicle are comprehensive and include a cellular telephone system, U.H.F. and V.H.F. radios which provide communications with Greater Vancouver Regional District, Emergency Health Services, Burnaby Fire Department, Skytrain, Burnaby Engineering, a C.B. and P.A. system, logging recorders, fax, television monitors and recorders, camcorder, hydro drop line, B.C. Tel drop lines as well as maps and charts of the City of Burnaby.

The Command Vehicle will:

1. Enhance the effectiveness to a response by having available a mobile command post completely equipped with extensive communications equipment and personal amenities to sustain a prolonged, multi-agency response to any emergency.

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2. Provide the R.C.M. Police with an on-site command post from which to direct and coordinate a response to a critical incident such as a murder or hostage taking.
3. Serve as a coordinating centre and high visibility command post at major public events.
4. Provide a static display for City police officials when demonstrating to the public the response capabilities of the City during a disaster.
5. Provide emergency assistance to other Municipalities requiring an on-site command post.

The command vehicle has been used on several occasions during a recent murder, chemical spill and arsons. The effectiveness of the command post has proven its worth.

APPENDIX "A"

INCIDENT BREAKDOWN	CURRENT YEAR TO DATE TOTAL	PREVIOUS YEAR TO DATE TOTAL
TOTAL INCIDENTS	77,920	78,888
CRIMINAL CODE	31,113	32,530
FEDERAL STATUTES	1,082	928
PROVINCIAL STATUTES	2,242	2,018
TOTALS	34,437	35,476
BREAK AND ENTERS	4,377	4,549
ARMED ROBBERIES	400	435
AUTO THEFT	2,484	2,747

TRAFFIC DATA	YEAR TO DATE 1992	YEAR TO DATE 1991
ACCIDENT DATA		
FATALS (# KILLED)	15	10
INJURY (#INJURED)	2,244	2,310
PROPERTY DAMAGE (REPORTABLE)	4,027	4,349
DRINKING & DRIVING CHARGES	352	508
HAZARDOUS MOVING VIOLATIONS	16,470	19,872
HAZARDOUS PURSUITS	34	48
PARKING REVENUE	302,065.00	343,704.00

